office accommodation so far in Delhi and in how many cases the lease agreement has expired;

(b) whether it is a fact that in the case of Ashoka Estate on Barakhamba Road, New Delhi taken on lease by IPCL, the lease agreement expired as far back as in September, 1984; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons for not vacating the said premises so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) to (c) M/s. Indian Petrochemicals Corporation Ltd. (IPCL) have taken on lease some space in (i) Ashoka Estate, Barakhamba Road and (ii) Himalaya House, Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi for office accommodation. The lease deed of Ashoka Estate premises expired in September, 1984. However within its validity period, as per relevant provisions of the lease deed, IPCL has exercised the option for its renewal as the premises are required by IPCL for their Regional Marketing Office. IPCL is not in a position to vacate the premises as it would affect the marketing operation of their Delhi Regional Office.

Availability of industrial alcohol

260. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have worked out any scheme to rationalise levies and duties imposed by the various State Governments on industrial alcohol;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what are the measures contemplated to be taken to step up the availability of industrial alcohol for industrial units; and

(d) whether molasses from Khandsari units is proposed to be utilised for increasing the supply of industrial alcohol?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) The State Governments have been advised from time to time to ensure that the total quantum of levies on alcohol used for production of alcohol based chemicals is kept at a level, which the alcohol-based industry will be able to bear and which will make its products competitive with those produced from alternative petro-chemical feedstocks.

(c) While as per present reckoning, there is likely to be sufficient indigenous availability of alcohol for industrial use in the current alcohol year, the possibility of imports is also not ruled out in the event of any shortfall.

(d) The State Government have been advised to control khandsari molasses to improve the availability of molasses and alcohol.

Targets of production of Central Coalfields Limited

261. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state;

(a) the targets of production set for the Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) for 1986-87;

(b) how far it has been achieved; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) to (c) As against the target of 25 million tonnes fixed for Central Coalfield ir 1986-87, the actual production ha been 25.14 million tonnes (provisional). This coal production in Central Coalfields Limited exceeded th target by 0.14 million tonnes durin the year 1986-87.